



Automatic Enrollment in 401(k) Plans

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The Pension Protection Act of 2006 contained a number of provisions designed to encourage employers to "automatically enroll" their employees in salary deferral plans, such as those maintained under Section 401(k) or 403(b) of the Tax Code. Aside from creating a host of new acronyms (QDIAs, ACAs, QACAs and EACAs), IRS and Department of Labor regulations have thrown up a number of stumbling blocks to reliance on these new provisions.

With the downturn in the economy, employers are also rethinking the wisdom of taking deductions from employees' paychecks without their explicit consent. In this webinar, we'll take stock of the current climate for automatic enrollment in time for employers to pursue this option for the 2010 plan year.

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